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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: MEIER et al

Serial No.: 09/529,383

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For: Method For Increasing The Wear Resistance Of A  
Work Piece

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TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIMEAssistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 21, 2003

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit the filing of a response within the second month subsequent to the expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed November 19, 2002.

A payment in the amount of \$300.00 to cover the fee required for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 306.38372X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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